

REPORT

OF

THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF

THE TOWN OF ENFIELD

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE

Year Ending Feb. 29, 1872.

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1872.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We, the Auditors for the Town of Enfield, for the year ending February 29, 1872, having examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Overseer of the Poor, find them correctly cast, and properly vouched for, and submit the following Report.

MARK PURMORT,
J. F. BRYANT, } *Auditors.*

Treasurer's Account.

Wyman Pattee, Treasurer, charges himself as follows:

Cash on hand as per Report of 1871,	\$9783 33
Received on John W. Johnson's note,	45 00
" of J. G. Spencer, order on County,	244 88
" Savings Bank tax,	496 61
" Rail Road tax,	1629 63
" Literary Fund,	128 70
" Insurance tax,	7 50
" Henry White, Note and interest,	55 87
" Selectmén, proceeds of notes,	6103 12
" Smith Marston on 1869 tax bill,	250 00
" " 1870 "	1700 00
" John H. Morse, 1871 "	9860 00
" J. G. Spencer, profit of Liquor Agency,	80 00
" Int. on daily balances in Treasurer's hands,	259 04

\$30,643 68

Wyman Pattee, as Town Treasurer, charges the Town with cash paid out, as follows:—

Paid C. M. Weeks, County tax,	\$2335 12
" L. W. Cogswell, State tax,	2934 00
	\$5269 12

School Money, as follows :—

Dist. No. 1—Paid	S. C. Hayford,	\$499 79
" 2 "	Harry Huse,	90 50
" 3 "	E. R. Dustin,	67 59
" 4 "	A. L. Haskins,	117 43
" 6 "	Joseph Fogg,	112 88
" 7 "	Wm. Whitford,	59 37
" 9 "	L. W. Currier,	97 21
" 10 "	Geo. F. Pettengill,	86 96
" 11 "	J. F. Bryant,	228 80
" 12 "	J. F. Perley,	93 55
" 13 "	Orville Dyer,	223 71
" 14 "	John E. Gile,	65 67
" 15 "	Charles H. Horton,	81 57
" 16 "	A. P. Howe,	65 40
" 17 "	J. J. French and L. T. Colby,	82 57
" 18 "	Wm. Wilson,	89 44
	Springfield,	6 97
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		\$2069 41

Work on Roads.

Joseph Huntoon,	\$2 00	Lumber, plank and work on
Samuel Noyes,	12 00	bridges :
O. W. Coon,	5 15	Pattee & Perley, lumber, 33 46
A. R. Hamilton,	4 25	M. T. Purmort, plank, 10 19
Thomas White,	15 00	F. H. Wells, lumber, 116 84
C. S. Worthen,	8 00	Huse & Berry, do, 6 64
C. S. Worthen,	4 75	Moses S. Perley, plank, 4 46
Miner T. Purmort,	26 00	T. E. Furnald, do 7 48
Ed. Powers,	75	Timo. Manchester, do 5 00
F. B. Morse,	3 25	John Jones, 3 50
I. S. Babbitt,	6 12	N. S. Holt, 27 65
Joseph Fogg,	4 32	E. G. Cate, bolts, 4 10
George Seaver,	13 37	N. S. Holt, 11 50
M. W. Emerson,	3 00	T. J. Carleton, 1 00
John Dresser,	1 50	W. M. Baker, 3 12
A. Brownall work & plank, 2	96	E. G. Cate, bolts, 61 75
J. F. Wentworth, do	3 85	John Bradford, 151 75

Ira B. Fogg,	do	36 55	Webster Currier, stone,	10 00
Charles H. Horton,	do	99 37	A. A. Cox, work,	2 00
P. Church, land damage,		4 00		—
E. F. Foster,	do	50 00		\$460 44
H. Morgan, building road,		75 00		
			\$381 19	
Breaking roads—			E. Eaton,	10 50
Timothy Manchester,		17 02	W. L. Whitford,	4 45
Thomas White,		8 00	J. G. Jackman, 1870,	8 53
Hial Follansbee,		13 13	Joseph Fogg,	6 82
J. C. Dresser,		1 80	Alstead Brownall,	6 00
John Dresser,		5 89	J. F. Wentworth,	11 00
John H. Stevens,		2 00	Ira B. Fogg,	4 00
John M. Cole,		1 50	James Flanders,	3 00
				—
				\$103 64

MISCELLANEOUS.

Dr. T. R. Clement, Births and Deaths, 1870,	4 00
C. H. Webster, for sheep killed,	8 00
P. H. Whitcomb, Printing Reports	39 00
Morrill & Silsby, Books &c.,	5 73
G. W. Murray, services,	217 02
Dr. Val. Manahan, Births and Deaths,	3 75
Dr. T. R. Clement, " "	4 25
Wm. Yeaton, school house tax, No. 9,	46 91
G. W. Clark, N. H. Statutes,	5 00
Dr. N. P. Taplin, Births and Deaths,	1 75
Wm. Gage, interest on fund,	112 50
Matthew Dutton, school house tax, No. 14,	400 00
J. G. Ticknor, bill for services,	2 70
C. G. Morgan & Co., sundries,	3 65
Dist. No. 14, for school house furniture,	81 00
" " stove and pipe,	17 36
A. A. Cox, rent of office,	15 00
William Kimball,	1 25
William Gage, interest on fund,	112 50
John E. Gile, school house tax,	45 78
N. S. Holt, Guide Board,	3 00
J. G. Spencer, labor and expenses,	23 30

J. P. Bancroft, for T. W. Whittemore,	223 40
C. L. Clark, Overseer of the Poor,	1175 00
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	\$2551 85

Watering Troughs.

Webster Currier,	2 00
H. Spaulding,	2 00
Philip Church,	2 00
Webster Currier,	2 00
Wm. C. Smith,	2 00
Calvin Gage,	2 00
A. C. Fifield, guardian,	2 00
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	\$14 00

Damages on Road.

Henry Cross, damage on wagon,	2 00
J. F. Bryant, carriage springs broken,	3 10
E. A. Washburne, damage on wagon,	30 00
T. R. Clement, " "	5 00
Smith Marston, " sled,	5 00
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	\$45 10

Town Officer's Services.

T. E. Furnald, Auditor,	5 00
Mark Purmort, "	5 00
J. F. Pattee, " and expenses,	5 57
S. C. Hayford, S. S. Committee,	76 00
J. G. Spencer, Selectman,	90 00
Smith Marston, "	78 50
Mark P. Burnham, "	52 00
C. W. Purmort, Town Clerk,	21 00
J. H. Morse, Collector of Taxes,	100 00
Wyman Pattee, Treasurer,	20 00
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	\$453 07

Abatement of Taxes.

Mark Purmort, 1869,	9 00
Lorenzo Currier, 1871,	92
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	\$9 92

Notes and Interest paid in full.

Lewis Bennett,	\$930 90	Nancy Burnham,	\$548 13
H. A. Nichols,	237 93	B. C. Leach,	458 13
B. C. Leach,	55 95	Lydia J. Colby,	233 03
A. Collins,	720 42	R. Codman,	535 31
James Currier,	138 22	Lewis P. Lovejoy,	105 15
G. W. Murray,	464 97	H. D. Heath,	57 10
" "	370 40	J. S. Morgan,	32 86
J. P. Farnham,	779 56	H. D. Heath,	325 58
J. C. Dresser,	103 36	" "	452 96
S. P. Cummings,	53 55	" "	1322 79
E. Story,	471 68	H. Currier,	393 74
John Dresser,	126 69	Louisa Kidder,	106 88
Elizabeth Johnson,	743 02	Ira Copeland,	327 90
C. H. Webster,	107 50	B. F. Leach,	144 12
A. D. Burnham,	313 28	George Seaver,	166 00
" "	164 24	" "	161 09
" "	285 11	Alfred Sawter,	110 69
" "	107 83		
" "	106 43		
			\$11762 50

Paid and Endorsed on Notes.

Leonard Woodbury,	\$84 40	Sally Clark,	\$100 00
" "	104 74	Elizabeth Webster,	50 00
T. H. Jones,	50 00	A. B. Proctor,	63 00
Mary A. Conant,	25 00	H. S. Pettingill,	6 00
J. C. Dresser,	4 68	John J. Webster,	114 00
Nathaniel Howe,	61 45		
			\$663 27

Recapitulation.

Whole amount received,		\$30,643 68
Paid State and County tax,		\$5269 12
" School money,		2069 41
" Work on roads,		381 19
" " bridges,		460 44
" Breaking roads,		103 64
" Miscellaneous,		2551 85

" Watering Troughs,	14 00
" Road Damages,	45 10
" Town Officers services,	453 07
" Abatements,	9 92
" Notes paid in full,	11,762 50
" Endorsements on notes,	663 27
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	6860 17
	————— \$30,643 68

We find by the Treasurer's books that he has received from collectors of taxes, since February 1st, about \$5000 00.

Overseer's Report.

The Overseer of the Poor charges himself as follows:

Cash on hand per Report of 1871,	\$113 17
Received of the Town of Canaan,	36 50
" " Town Treasurer,	1175 00
	—————
	\$1324 67

The Overseer discharges himself as follows:—

Paid for the support of John W. Johnson and family,	\$221 87
" " Elisha Kidder,	47 85
" " Mrs. Emma Chandler,	91 26
" " Pettengill boy,	96 92
" " Sylvester Colby's boys,	82 62
" " Lucinda Moody,	174 23
" " Mrs. Matilda Morey,	32 00
" " Mrs. David Heath,	104 50
	—————
	\$851 25

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN CHARGES.

Paid C. L. Clark, time and expense to Haverhill,	10 40
" Town Clerk of Wilmot,	1 00
" J. L. Spring, counsel,	2 00
" examining records of Springfield,	2 00
" " Canaan,	2 00
" postage and stationery,	2 00
" C. L. Clark, services and expenses,	40 00
	—————
	\$59 40

PAID OUT FOR COUNTY POOR.

Paid for Jefferson B. Thomas,	\$129 06
" John Bennett and wife,	85 25
" William P. Sanborn's wife,	48 25
" Mrs. S. Bronson,	42 70
" Sarah Cross,	46 84
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	\$352 10

PAID FOR TRANSIENT COUNTY POOR.

Paid G. W. Clark,	12 50
" J. G. Spencer,	6 15
" C. L. Clark,	75
" J. H. Morse,	6 50
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	\$25 90

Recapitulation.

Whole amount received,	\$1324 67
Paid for towns' poor,	\$851 25
" county poor,	378 00
" miscellaneous,	59 40
Cash on hand,	36 02
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	\$1324 67

Liquor Agent's Report.

J. G. Spencer Reports as Liquor Agent to February 21, 1872.	
Liquors on hand Feb. 21, 1870,	\$231 25
" bought since last report,	560 96
Agents salary.	75 00
Profits paid town,	80 00
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Cash received for sales,	\$722 57
Amount of Liquors and fixtures on hand,	224 64
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	\$947 21

Abatement of Taxes.

On Smith Marston's 1869, bill		\$52 80
" " 1870, "		40 64
John Morse's 1871, "		
Relief Estes,		12 77
F. B. Morse over tax,		9 25
Luther Howe, do		3 70
Almira Little, do		37 00
Jonathan and Jonas Hastings, do,		2 70
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		\$158 86

Liabilities of the Town.

Notes reported last year with Interest added.

James Stevens,	\$133 81	L. D. Currier,	106 00
Dolly Green,	301 08	India L. Gordon,	158 78
Julia Withington,	66 90	Emma F. Clough,	53 00
Leonard Woodbury,	401 45	G. W. Seaver,	53 00
James Currier,	252 49	George Seaver,	53 00
E. W. Gove,	219 85	Betsey Goodrich,	240 54
Sally Clark,	1136 22	George M. Scates,	636 00
Louisa J. Howe,	63 12	J. B. Durkee,	1378 00
Mary F. Smith,	575 05	B. C. Leach,	451 06
Lewis Cogswell,	891 16	G. W. Currier,	424 00
Eben Gile,	315 73	Emma E. Rowe,	159 00
A. C. Jones,	526 23	Tracy H. Jones,	116 60
Thomas Webster,	104 46	M. E. George,	79 50
G. W. Currier,	207 96	Lewis Cogswell,	748 95
B. F. Leach,	424 18	Elsie J. Webster,	100 00
John S. Stevens,	85 08	Laura Currier,	100 00
Mary A Seabring,	167 00	Angeline B. Spencer,	50 00
W. M. Baker,	476 40	L. D. Currier,	100 00
B. C. Leach,	238 20	S. R. Fleming,	100 00
B. F. Leach,	476 40	Belinda M. Stevens,	110 00
Adeline Woodbury,	595 50	W. M. Baker,	200 00
Choice Bucklin,	67 41	Henry Morse,	150 00
Mary A. Conant,	639 16	J. S. Morrison,	200 00
Watson C. Atwell,	207 86	Eleanor Morse,	50 00

Choice Bucklin,	213	61	Rebecca B. Noyes,	50	00
Phillip Huntoon,	468	37	Henry Morse,	100	00
Clementine Beardsley,	413	11	Almando Bucklin,	100	00
Mary Emerson,	1011	70	A. A. Johnson,	1000	00
Leonard Woodbury,	315	61	J. Patterson,	1230	00
Eunice Dresser,	98	46	Lydia Nichols,	900	00
Henry Shephard,	1100	88	Constant Gile,	300	00
Sally Clark,	1388	71	Alfred Sawter,	100	00
Mary A. Huse,	234	92	Mason Burnham,	70	60
Mary A. Seabring,	129	91	Abi P. Webster,	450	00
Betsy A. Barnard,	263	11	Anna J. Denison,	145	00
Dolly Green,	154	23	A. Bucklin,	50	00
Nathaniel Howe,	523	00	Laurett Washburne,	100	00
Benjamin Blake,	851	08	Hattie S. Pettingill,	100	00
Emeline Webster,	564	87	A. V. Huntoon,	100	00
Ednor Morgan,	306	31	Miriam Currier,	65	00
Jane R. Bean,	221	17	Louise C. Gordon,	205	00
Huldah Currier,	357	30	A. L. Hartshorn,	225	00
Abijah Emerson,	774	16	Juliett M. Clement,	75	00
James Bucklin,	56	18	F. H. Stevens,	50	00
Adeline Cogswell,	168	54	Sarah E. Gates,	330	00
Mariah P. Pattee,	112	36	R. S. Howe,	1000	00
James Currier,	471	63	Helen F. O. Burnham,	100	00
H. A. Nichols,	337	08	Lovina Bean,	283	15
James Bucklin,	112	36	Mary A. Cilley,	70	78
B. F. Leach,	397	77	Tracy H. Jones,	40	00
Celia Atwood,	53	00	Horace Atwell,	200	00
Adeline Cogswell,	106	00	Miriam Currier,	72	39
Hannah Seaver,	53	00	S. P. Cummings,	50	00
A. V. Huntoon,	116	00	John Dresser, Adm'r,	375	00
Lucinda Burnham,	53	00	A. P. H.,	2600	00
Horace Atwell,	318	00	W. P. H.,	700	00
H. L. Baker,	212	00	Hannah Clough.	100	00
J. F. Jones,	318	00	J. W. Dodge, Adm'r,	390	07
Emma F. Clough,	26	50	Laura Cogswell,	350	00
George Cole,	539	17	John Dresser,	395	00
B. C. Leach,	458	57	A. B. Proctor,	1050	00
C. H. Jones,	75	21	John J. Webster,	343	42
Mariah P. Pattee,	156	35	Lewis C. Paddleford,	134	96

Almando Bucklin,	112 36	Lois Skinner,	221 10
Lizzie Webster,	224 72	James Currier,	252 49
B. F. Leach,	56 18		<hr/>
			\$42,788 58
One year's interest added, 6 per ct.,			2,567 31
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			\$45,355 89

Endorsed on the above notes,

Leonard Woodbury,		\$189 14	
T. H. Jones,		50 00	
Mary A. Conant,		25 00	
J. C. Dresser,		4 68	
Nathaniel Howe,		61 45	
Sally Clark,		100 00	
Elizabeth Webster,		50 00	
A. B. Proctor,		63 00	
H. S. Pettingill,		6 00	
John J. Webster,		114 00	\$663 27
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			\$44,692 62

Notes given since last Report.

Nancy Burnham,	\$500 00	Huldah Currier,	359 00
A. D. Burnham,	400 00	Dorothy Spaulding,	100 00
J. B. Marston,	300 00	David Hazelton,	430 00
Lydia J. Colby,	200 00	Eliz. F. Waterhouse,	100 00
Rachel Codman,	500 00	Louisa Kidder,	100 00
Nancy G. Flanders,	50 00	Val. Manahan, treas.	50 00
Frank E. Howe,	50 00	E. F. Copeland,	572 00
Sarah N. H. Andrews,	28 00	C. W. Atwood,	30 00
H. D. Heath, Admr.,	90 00	B. F. Leach,	144 12
" "	2100 00		<hr/>
			\$6103 12

Liabilities and Availabilities.

LIABILITIES.

Owing on Notes given previous to 1871 report,	\$44,692 62
Owing on Notes given the past year,	6,103 12
" Calista Hartford note, dated Feb. 13, 1869, amounting with interest, (never before reported,) to	35 73
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	\$50,831 47

AVAILABILITIES.

Due from U. S. Government,	\$1,447 00
" County,	378 00
Cash in hands of Overseer of Poor,	36 02
Due from E. B. Huse rent on Engine House, Town of Lebanon on School House tax in District No. 14,	14 00
in District No. 14,	10 62
on Dennis Sullivan note,	65 14
on John W. Johnson note,	790 55
from A. C. Fifield, Collector, 1868, Smith Marston, " 1869,	98 86
" " " 1870,	123 51
from John H. Morse, " 1871,	533 84
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	2,770 76
Funds in liquor agency,	6,860 17
Engine House,	224 64
	500 00
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	\$13,853 11
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Liabilities last year,	\$36,978 36
Present liabilities,	38037 61
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Making a reduction of town debt this year, of	36978 36
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	\$1059 25

ITEMS.

In addition to the above liabilities, is the Wm. Gage Fund of \$2500 00 on which the town is paying 9 per ct. semi-annual interest, and exempt from taxation.

Increase of availabilities above last year—Ins. tax,	\$7 50
Increase on R. R. Tax,	501 03
“ Savings Bank tax,	110 38
	—————
	\$618 91

Reported as liabilities last year which had been paid.

Nancy W. Jones' note,	\$90 93
On B. F. Leach note,	224 82
	—————
	\$315 75
Not reported last year—Calista Hartford note, 35 73	—————
	280 02
	—————
	\$898 93



Report of Schools.

DISTRICT No. 1—ENFIELD.

Higher Department.—Summer and fall terms taught by Flora Goodenough. This teacher made a decided improvement in the condition of the school. At the time she took it, it was in a very disorderly state. But her firm government secured good behavior at once. She also won the esteem and affections of her scholars, and exerted a good influence over them. The scholars however did not make as much progress in their studies, as could have been desired. But in reading they improved greatly. The qualifications of this teacher are good and with the requisite effort on her part, she can become successful. This teacher and the teacher in the Primary Department deserve honorable mention for having furnished the school-rooms with maps, a globe, dictionary, etc., from the proceeds of an exhibition gotten up by them.

Winter.—Taught by Mary E. Wilmarth. The school this term came fully up to the expectations of the Committee. It was decidedly the best term of school there has been in this department for a long time. The scholars heretofore have been rather backward, ranking considerably lower in their studies than several other schools in town. But the examination at the close of this term, showed that the school had redeemed itself, and was equal in rank to any in town. The school was very large, and rather difficult to manage, but the decision of the teacher secured good order. The secret of her success lies much in the fact that she gives her whole mind to it, sparing no effort, in school or out of school, that she deems necessary for the advancement of her pupils. The following were neither absent nor tardy. Helen A. Carr, Emma Bell Cooper, Jennie M. Huse, Lizzie M. Jones,

Alice Morgan, Cora Nelson, Leona A. Pattee, Gracie L. Stanley, Augusta S. Williams, Nathan Currier, Robbie Fitzpatrick, Geo. Hall, Willie E. Howe, Elmer E. Jones, Irwen Leviston, David M. Ladd, Freddie A. Spencer, Irving Whittier, Frankie Withington, Jimmie H. Carr.

Primary Department.—Three terms taught by Belinda M. Stevens. This teacher has innumerable resources, wherewith to call out the faculties of the brood under her charge. She awakens their desire to learn, and stimulates their ambition to excel. Sometimes she praises the dull and backward child and sets him aglow with courageous effort to learn, and by ways that to most teachers would be past finding out, she manages to keep the whole school at vigorous study, and in perfect order. The little ones have all made rapid progress. The good judgment and long successful experience, of this teacher, are a sufficient recommendation to her anywhere.

DIST. NO. 2.—SHAKER HILL.

Summer.—Selina D. Pettengill, teacher. This teacher did well in advancing her scholars. The school was orderly, and interested in their lessons. More energy on the part of the teacher would have been an improvement.

Fall.—Alice E. Day, teacher. This term of school was very successful. When I visited it the last time, it was more than a week before the close, and the scholars had not reviewed any of their studies, but upon examination they showed that they were familiar with what they had gone over, answering nearly every question perfectly. This teacher deserves much praise for the thoroughness with which she teaches. She makes every thing plain, and has it well learned by the scholars, as they advance. Considerable attention was paid to writing, and the progress made by the scholars in this branch was excellent. The writing books were very neat.

Winter.—Laura E. Tilton, teacher. This was a short term of five weeks only. The school made all the progress that could have been expected in so short a time. This, added to the fall term, made a very profitable term of school.

DIST. NO. 3.—JONES' HILL.

Summer.—Sarah W. Haskins, teacher. This teacher is well qualified and has an energetic way that cannot fail of success. She labored hard in the school, giving the few scholars that attended, the benefit of her whole time. The reviews at the close of school showed that the scholars had profited well by her efforts.

A Fall and Winter Term taught by Sophronia Bailey. A fair term of school. The teacher was young and inexperienced. She should concentrate her mind upon her school and allow nothing else to occupy her attention. Success is attained only by diligent efforts. Two and a half weeks of school were added by Julia W. Gile, which I did not visit.

DIST. NO. 4.—EAST VILLAGE.

Summer.—Emma L. Marston, teacher. This teacher as regards education is well qualified, and she did well. She needs, however, more energy in the school-room. She has good abilities, but needs bodily health to make them effective. She should take plenty of out-door exercise and acquire more physical stamina.

Winter.—Otis H. Marion, teacher. We found nothing to criticise in this school. Mr. Marion is one of the best of teachers. The district was very fortunate in securing his services. There were some fine scholars that attended, and they made excellent progress. The spirit and order of the school were such as pleased us.

DIST. NO. 6.—EAST HILL.

Summer.—Alice Pillsbury, teacher. She is a young teacher, this being her first term. She did very well indeed. Her government was good and the school made fair progress in their studies. There are a good number of scholars in this district; the school house is a good one and pleasantly located; there is fine scenery in this district.

Winter.—George F. Pettengill, teacher. At the opening of the school the scholars seemed dull and backward, and the prospect, to the teacher, looked discouraging. But at the close I witnessed a most favorable change. All seemed awake and interested, and the countenances of the scholars told the evident improve-

ment they had made. They were orderly and attentive. If all teachers made the same resolute effort, and concentrated their thoughts upon their schools as this teacher has done, our schools would prosper much better. The progress of the school was greater than I expected to find, and the closing exercises were very good.

DIST. NO. 7.—OAK HILL.

Two short terms taught by Evelyn M. Jones. Miss Jones is a good teacher. She governed this school easily; It is a very pleasant school and easy to manage. The pupils showed that during the time they had been attending school they had not been idle. There are good scholars here and they are deserving of a longer period of school than what they get.

DIST. NO. 9.—CAMBRIDGEVILLE.

Two terms taught by Emma M. Yeaton. This was a gem of a school. The scholars were very bright and forward for their ages. We commend the fidelity with which Miss Yeaton has discharged her duty as a teacher. The school was every way satisfactory; there was perfect order. The teacher was alive in her school and enlisted the attention and awakened a desire to learn, in every scholar under her charge. By having the school for several terms in succession, she has been enabled to promote the advancement of her scholars far more than is usually done in our schools. We think it an excellent plan when a school gets a good teacher, to keep her. Much more is accomplished in this way than by having frequent changes. But in this instance, our advice comes too late.

DIST. NO. 10.—GEORGE HILL.

One term of school, Mary Dresser, teacher. The scholars made fair progress and were benefited by the school. Still the school was not as successful as could have been desired. The teacher is well qualified, and tried, I think, to advance the school; but she did not succeed in sufficiently awakening the scholars' interest in their studies. There was a large number of tardy marks and absences, for a school of its size, which of course is unfavorable for the advancement of the scholars.

DIST. NO. 11.—ENFIELD CENTRE.

Summer and Fall Terms taught by Nettie L. Bartlett. It is pleasant to visit such schools as this was during both terms that this teacher was employed. There was activity, life and advancement. The Summer term was very successful, and the Fall term was still better. In mathematics, especially, the school did nobly. The closing exercises showed that the scholars had made excellent progress in their studies.

Winter.—William Guthrie, teacher. This teacher has good qualifications as far as education is concerned, but he was somewhat deficient in discipline. There seemed also to be a lack of promptness on the part of the scholars in answering the questions asked them. This school requires some one who has considerable energy to urge the scholars along.

DIST. NO. 12.—NORTH END.

Summer.—Eva J. Edwards, teacher. This was her first experience. She has made a fair beginning. The school was small and some did not come regularly, but, considering the circumstances, I think the scholars did well.

Winter.—Ella R. Gage, teacher. This term of school was very successful. The scholars all made good progress. The teacher was devoted to her work and made every effort to advance the school. Consequently the school was a good one.

DIST. NO. 13.—CHURCH FAMILY SHAKERS.

Summer.—Mary E. Briggs, teacher, assisted by Julia Ann Russell. The school was excellent. The scholars learned well, and were thorough in what they had studied. I enjoyed the recitations in geography very much. The maps drawn upon the board, and the recitations from them by the different pupils, were very fine. Miss Briggs is a beginner in teaching, and has done very well, and bids fair to become an excellent teacher. Miss Russell, who assisted, and had charge of the reading classes, is also a good teacher, and together they had a very profitable term of school. It is a pleasant sight to witness the perfect order, neatness, and decorum, of our Shaker schools. Another favorable feature of these schools is the attention they give to gymnastics and music. They also devote more time to writing than most of our schools do, which in this age is a very desirable accomplishment.

Winter.—James Russell, teacher. The school composed of boys made fair improvement for scholars that were so young. This teacher was attentive to the interests of this school. He was thorough in his instruction, and endeavored to make everything plain to the scholars, and to have it well learned.

DIST. NO. 14.—JOHN E. GILE.

Summer.—Mary E. Martin, teacher. This school did not meet the expectations I had formed of it on my first visit. Then all seemed orderly, and the scholars studious. But on my last visit there seemed to be a spirit of confusion which prevented much study. Miss Martin is well qualified, and has a pleasant manner, well calculated to win the affection of her scholars, and, with a more strict enforcement of order she can become an excellent teacher.

Winter.—May L. Holt, teacher. This term of school was a considerable improvement on the previous one. The teacher, who is a beginner, did finely. She had life and ambition in the school-room. The scholars made good progress and the order was very good. We commend with pleasure those teachers who like this one take an interest in their schools and endeavor with all their might to make them what they should be.

This district is to be congratulated on having built a new school house the past year. It is a very neat and convenient one.

DIST. NO. 15.—WEST ENFIELD.

Summer.—Jennie C. Tilton, teacher. The scholars exhibited a good understanding of the studies gone over. Arithmetic, especially, (which seems to be this teacher's forte,) received much attention, and some of the pupils were excellent in this branch. The order of the school was good while I was present.

Winter.—Fanny B. Youngman, who is a teacher of long experience, commenced the school, but, in consequence of general sickness in the district, it was thought best to give it up. The school was in session but a month.

DIST. NO. 17.—FISH MARKET.

Summer.—Sarah M. Winship, teacher. The school passed a fair examination, and showed that they had been at work during the term. There are some quite good scholars here, considering their ages. More life on the part of the teacher would have been an improvement. The latter statement, I should judge, is also applicable to the

Winter Term—begun by Anne T. Brigham, and closed without my knowledge.

DIST. No. 18.—BAKER FAMILY SHAKERS.

Summer and Winter terms taught by Sally Ann Tucker. I have no fault to find with this school; but much to commend. It is indeed a pleasure to visit it, and see the happy looks on the faces of all present. The scholars were all wide-awake, and made excellent progress during both terms of school. Reading and writing were faithfully attended to. The writing books showed great improvement.

CLOSING REMARKS.

Those teachers who have not as good a report as they could desire, should not be discouraged. Neither should others think them unfit for teaching. Sometimes it is from want of experience, that they do not succeed, or an unfavorable situation. In a few cases the trouble has been a lack of effort on the part of the teachers, which they can correct if they will. Those who have got good reports should not rest upon their laurels, but remember that success in the future will come only as in the past, by hard, persevering effort. Teachers should be alive to the work in which they are engaged. They should give their best thought to it, and spare no pains. The responsibility resting upon them is great. Teachers should be more mindful of the fact, that intellectual improvement is best promoted when the physical laws of our being are duly regarded. They should see that the school room is kept clean, and well ventilated. In warm, or moderate weather, the doors and windows should not be all closed. Scholars are often dull, and stupid, simply from a deficiency of pure air. They should be encouraged to take active exercise in their sports when out, but when called in they should be made to study. Parents should take more interest in the education of their children. The people should feel more interest in common schools. Do not think every dollar paid out to build school houses, or otherwise spent on schools, is wasted. Those who have children, and those who have none, are all concerned in this matter. And if we desire the future glory of our Republic, and the highest civilization of mankind, let us regard with favor our common schools.

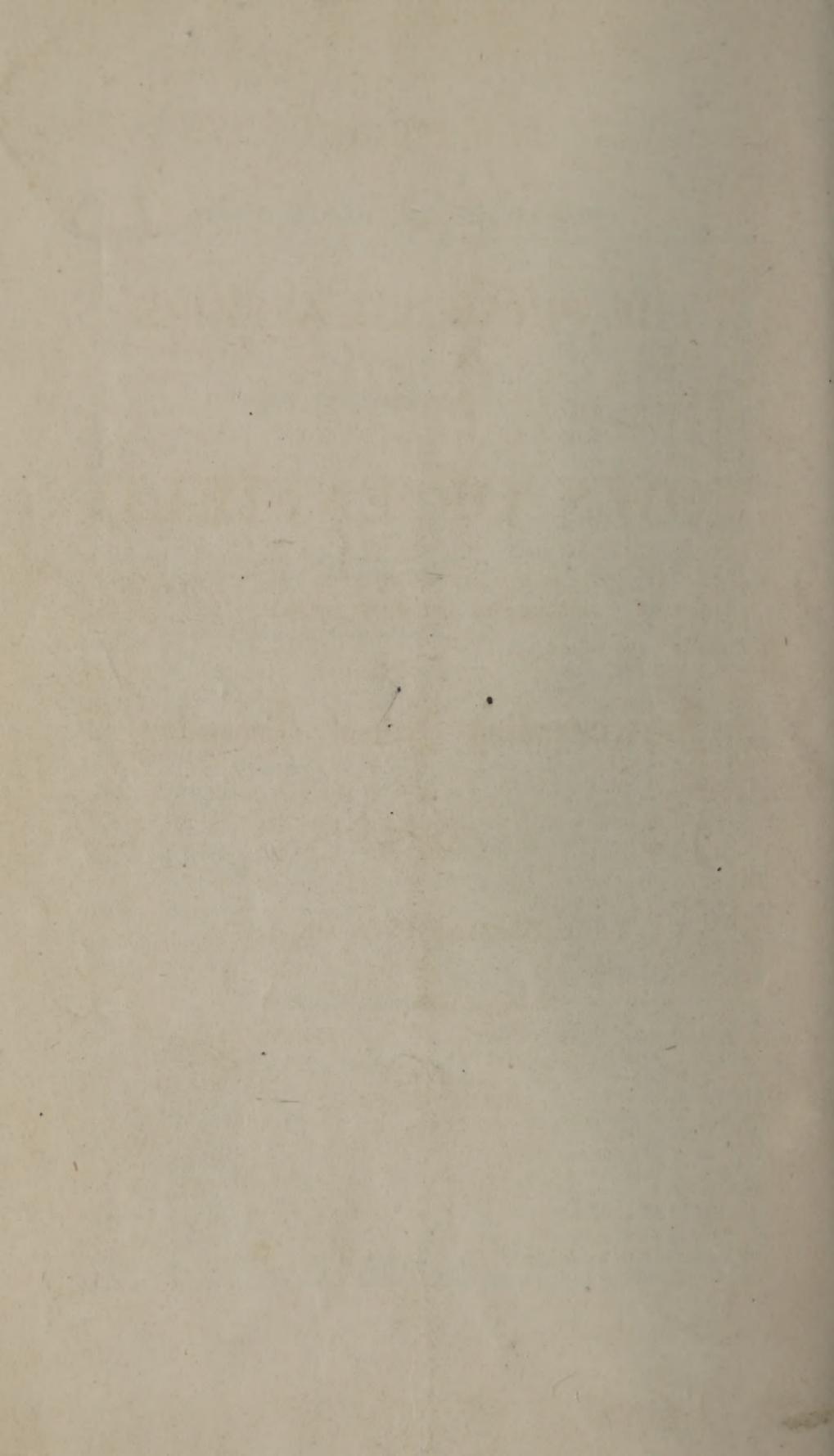
Respectfully submitted,

S. C. HAYFORD, S. S. Com.

Schedule of Schools.

No. of District.	TERMS OF SCHOOL.												
1	- Summer, higher department, Fall, " " Winter, " "	-	-	31	31	23	*8	4	4	13	14		
				32	35	29	11	2	2	32	25		
				28	46	42	10	4	4	55	*		
	Summer, primary department, Fall, " " Winter, " "	-	-	28	50	40	10	4	4	24	29		
				28	41	35	10	4	2	46	33		
				28	40	32	10	4	2	33	47		
2	- Summer, - - - Fall, - - - Winter, - - -	-	-	—	8	7	10	2	0	8	7		
				24	6	5	5	2	1	11	0		
3	- Summer, Fall and winter,	-	-	19	5	4	9	2	1	31	0		
4	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	18	7	5	13	2	2	17	21		
6	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	8	12	9	10	3	0	8	7		
7	- Summer, Fall, - - -	-	-	25	25	18	13	2	1	—	89		
9	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	8	18	12	10	2	0	19	11		
10	- Winter, - - -	-	-	20	22	20	13	2	0	21	40		
11	- Summer, Fall, - - -	-	-	22	11	10	7	2	0	4	13		
				25	15	13	5	2	0	2	17		
				24	27	26	9	2	0	20	5		
				26	29	29	8	2	1	25	7		
				24	19	15	15	2	1	—	79		
				26	30	27	10	2	1	21	6		
				31	27	24	10	2	0	10	7		
	Winter, register not returned,	-	-	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
12	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	16	8	6	7	2	0	14	12		
13	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	16	15	9	12	2	0	22	6		
14	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	—	15	13	14	2	2	10	0		
15	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	—	10	9	9	2	1	12	56		
17	- Summer, - - - Winter, - - -	-	-	10	10	8	12	2	3	18	49		
18	- Summer, Winter, - - -	-	-	24	19	18	8	2	0	—	2		
				34	22	16	*4	1	0	2	23		
				17	18	15	10	2	0	10	40		
				26	20	17	7	1	0	0	43		
				—	12	—	14	2	5	—	0		
				—	7	—	12	2	7	—	0		

*The fraction of 1-2 week is to be added. There were 105 instances of tardiness in the winter term in the higher department in Dist. No. 1.



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